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For : A SURVEYING INSTRUMENT HAVING AN OPTICAL DISTANCE
METER AND AN AUTOFOCUS SYSTEM, AND A SURVEYING
INSTRUMENT HAVING A DETACHABLE AUTOFOCUS SYSTEM

CLAIM OF PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 based upon Japanese Application Nos. 2000-261075, filed August 30, 2000; and 2000-274365, filed September 2000. As required by 37 C.F.R. 1.55, certified copies of the Japanese applications have been filed in parent Application No. 09/938,663, filed August 27, 2001.

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